

8 February 1967

MEMORANDUM

TO : O/DDI

FROM : CS/Pres, OCI

SUBJECT : Salisbury Testimony, Senate Foreign Relations Committee

1. I have reviewed the transcript of Harrison Salisbury's appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 2 Feb 1967.

2. His general thrust is that the bombings of North Vietnam have had some military plus by way of hampering movement and necessitating diversion of labor to repair, but that this is probably outweighed by the minuses in world public opinion and in intensified DRV national unity; and (2) he hopes everything possible is being done secretly to find way to negotiations.

3. Other points we should bear in mind:

- a) Salisbury, citing foreign diplomats in Hanoi, said Soviet SAMs, MIGs, and radar come in by sea through Haiphong.
- b) Salisbury, like article in Wash Post this morning, assumes SA-3 is better than SA-2 because it has a higher number, speculates if war keeps up USSR may give DRV SA-3.
- c) Salisbury/Sen. Fulbright between them developed thesis that both National Liberation Front and DRV Government have a higher proportion of southerners to northerners than does the Saigon regime.

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